

REMARKS

The enclosed is responsive to the Examiner's Office Action mailed on September 12, 2006 is being filed pursuant to a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) as provided under 37 CFR 1.114. At the time the Examiner mailed the Office Action claims 1-33 were pending. As such, claims 1-33 are now pending. The Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application and the allowance of all claims now presented.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that all rejections have been overcome and that all pending claims are in condition for allowance.

If there are any additional charges, please charge them to our Deposit Account Number 02-2666. If a telephone conference would facilitate the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact Thomas C. Webster at (408) 720-8300.

Respectfully Submitted,
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